

THE BEE HIVE

COME With the Crowd

To the big store that keeps up a splendid assortment of gifts to the last minute.

Keep to the right while in the crowd.

MERZ BROS

MORE TAXES COLLECTED.

Auditor's Agent Watson Received Over \$1,700 Monday for the County.

The Bank of Maysville, Mitchell, Finch & Co.'s Bank and the Union Trust Company Monday effected a settlement with Auditor's Agent Watson for taxes due the county for the years 1893-'94-'95 and '96. The gross amount paid under the settlement was as follows:

Bank of Maysville.....	\$ 845 12
Mitchell, Finch & Co.'s Bank.....	507 14
Union Trust Company.....	323 10
Total.....	\$1,775 36

The companies had previously settled with the county for years 1897 up. They had paid to the State under the Hewitt law, but the decision of the Court of Appeals declaring that law unconstitutional required banks to pay to city and county also for these years. But under the decision and a subsequent act of the Legislature they receive a rebate from the State for the excess of taxes paid the State under the Hewitt bill.

During the past week Mr. Watson has collected for the county about \$5,600 net.

Death of Miss Mary Helmer.

Miss Mary Helmer died at 10:30 o'clock last night at her home on Second street, west of Wall, after a lingering illness. She had been a patient sufferer throughout her long sickness. Miss Helmer was born April 23, 1856, and was a daughter of George and Elizabeth Helmer. She leaves four brothers and one sister. The funeral arrangements have not been announced.

In variety of pieces and styles of cutting in glass we easily lead. Every article just as represented.

CLOONEY & PERRINE'S.

See Ray's Christmas leather goods.

Guaranteed fountain pens at Ray's.

New currants, citron, raisins—Calhoun's.

Xmas perfumes at Ray's, bulk and bottled.

Special notice in want column from Gerbrich.

Joseph Clinger has been granted a divorce from Pearl Clinger.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Education will be held to-night.

Twenty-five cent dolls for 10c., 50c. dolls for 35c., 75c. dolls for 55c., at Taylor's.

Orders for cakes, salads &c. will be filled by ladies of Christian Church. Sale Dec. 24th.

Carroll, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Matthews, has been very seriously ill, but was better this morning.

The largest and finest line of sterling novelties ever shown in Maysville can now be seen at Clooney & Perrine's.

Nothing better than "Limestone" and "James E. Pepper" whisky. Only \$1 a bottle at Diener's place, Market street.

The Christmas tree at the Mayslick Christian Church will be Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Everyone invited to attend.

In solid silver we can furnish you any pattern for less money than you can possibly buy in the Cincinnati stores.

CLOONEY & PERRINE.

Our stock of diamonds and watches is the largest, our cut prices make them lower by 25 per cent. than any other stock in this city.

MURPHY, the jeweler.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

Dr. Walter Matthews of This City to Wed Miss Josie Turner, of Eminence, Next Month.

(Courier-Journal.)

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Turner, of Eminence, announce the engagement of their daughter, Josie Mae, to Dr. Walter Matthews, of Maysville. The wedding will take place in January.

This announcement is of interest to Louisville people, as Miss Turner is a frequent visitor to the city and has many friends and relatives here.

The groom-elect is a son of Hon. and Mrs. Walter Matthews, of Mayslick, and for some time has been associated with his brother, Dr. Edwin Matthews, in the practice of dentistry in this city. His many friends throughout the city and county extend congratulations and good wishes in advance of the happy event.

B. S. RANKIN.

Sudden Death at Covington Monday of a Well Known Tobacco Man.

Mr. B. S. Rankin, forty-seven, manager of the Cincinnati Leaf Tobacco Warehouse, died suddenly in Covington Monday. He was seated by the fire, awaiting his morning mail before going to his place of business, when he toppled over head foremost and almost fell into the grate. Members of the family, who were still seated at the breakfast table, heard the fall and rushed into the room where Mr. Rankin had been sitting. He was dead when his wife reached him. Death was doubtless due to heart failure.

Mr. Rankin had been in apparently good health, and had just finished a hearty breakfast. He leaves, besides the widow, four daughters and two sons. Mr. Rankin had been identified with the tobacco trade for many years, and had a host of friends in that line of business in this city and county who will be pained to hear of his sudden death.

In the Sunday school contest at Warsaw, Ky., interest became so great that carriages were sent to bring scholars to the school.

The Sunday school of the Church of Christ, Washington, will have a Christmas tree and pleasant entertainment on Wednesday at 2:30. All the children of all the families in the church are expected.

Mr. R. L. Manwaring and Miss Lida B. Mills, the latter of Flemingsburg, were married Monday by Rev. B. F. Swindler, of Covington. The bride is a relative of Mr. L. M. Mills and has many friends in Maysville.

Rev. F. F. Fite, a young Methodist preacher of Hazelton, Lewis County, whose disappearance was recently mentioned, was arrested Sunday at the Hope Rescue Mission in Louisville charged with stealing a mule. The arrest was made on information furnished by Judge Lee, of Lewis County. Fite says a mistake must have been made, as he stole no mule, and knows nothing of such a case.

BUY CANDIES

For the little ones. Santa Claus' visit would lose much of its importance should the sweetmeats be left off his bill of fare. But don't buy the cheap stuff, whose only title is a pretty name. Pure sugar costs more than is sometimes asked for candies of inferior grade. Our confections are invariably of the first quality. That's most important. The next thing to consider is the cost. Prices here are the lowest possible consistent with pure goods. Freshly-baked cakes of our own make, oranges, lemons, bananas, apples, figs, dates and other fruit for the holidays. Nuts of all sorts—strictly fresh stock of the past season's growth—no old goods on hand. Elegant assortment of fancy Sugar Toys and other candies for Christmas tree decoration. In fact, our place is the recognized storehouse of Christmas good things. If there is anything needed to bring "good cheer" to the yuletide hearthstone, you will find it at TRAXEL'S.

AT TRAXEL'S

OF COURSE!

CHRISTMAS MAIL.

Postoffice Will Be Open This Evening and To-morrow Evening to Accommodate the Rush.

Postmaster Mathews announces that all departments of the office,—registry, money order and stamp window—will be open from 7 o'clock until 9 o'clock this evening and to-morrow evening.

This is done to accommodate those who wish to mail Christmas packages as well as those who are expecting gifts by mail.

See Ray's line of Xmas stationery.

All photograph albums at cost, at Taylor's.

"Old Honesty" rye whisky 50 cents quart at M. C. Russell Co.'s.

The public schools of the city close to-day for the Christmas vacation.

Belle Strode was granted a divorce from M. B. Strode at the recent term of court.

"Limestone" and "James E. Pepper" whisky \$1 a bottle until January 1st, at Geo. Diener's, Market street.

Sheriff Roberson has filed in the County Court his quietus from the State Auditor for taxes due the State for year 1902.

Our line of cut glass now, as in the past, far exceeds all other lines in the city. Prices greatly reduced.

MURPHY, the jeweler.

Our Christmas Goods

Are by far the best we have ever showed (so say the people.) Books, Pictures, Mirrors, Toys, Kodaks, Dolls, Imported Vases. See bargain tables.

Musical Instrument at cut-prices.

Our beautiful Music Box will make a handsome Christmas Gift.

Open at night.

J. T. Kackley & Co.

Have some of our new \$3 per dozen Photographs taken. A Sepia Portrait made of father or mother. They are the best.

KACKLEY & CO.

THE RACKET

Our lines of Christmas goods are complete. Come early and get choice selection of

Dolls and Doll Carriages,
Toys,
Games, Books,
Tree Ornaments, Fancy Vases
and
Beautiful Decorated
China.

Everything beautiful and everything cheap. And don't forget that we carry a full line of staples. Gloves from 10c. to \$1 per pair. Everything cheap at the Racket.

L. H. YOUNG & CO.,

48 West Second Street.

CHRISTMAS

CANDIES

Purchased by the car-load and we sell them to you direct. Our competitors cannot touch these prices:

Choicest assorted Gum Drops, 5c. to 6c. per pound.

Pure wholesome Stick Candy, 7½c. pound.

Fancy Cottage-mixed Candy, 8c. pound.

French Cream Bon-Bons, 10c. pound.

Finest Lemon and Vanilla Caramels, 10c. pound.

Large pure Cream Chocolate Drops, 12½c. pound.

Extra large Cocoa Bon-Bons, 15c. pound.

Vanilla Ice Cream Kisses, a 30c. candy at only 15c. pound.

Chocolate Ice Cream Kisses, soft center, only 15c. pound.

Buttercups, satin finish and richly flavored, 12½c. pound.

Raspberry Cream Fruits, 15c. pound.

Butterscotch Cream Lumps, from pure butter, 12½c. pound.

Hand-made Creams, regular 40c. mixture, at only 20c. pound.

We have a great many more kinds. Too many to mention in this space. We have cheaper grades if you wish them. Our aim is to please all, both in quantity and price. Come and see our large display.

LANGDON-CREASY CO.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—The outfit of the Sherman House, beds, chairs, tables, range, &c. The house is for rent. Everything new and in good condition. Apply at the house, 127 West Second street. 17-4/5

HEATERS!

SPECIAL PRICES.

W. F. POWER'S.

Coin for the Christmas Stocking....

Will be provided in plenty to those who court Santa Claus' favors here. Our distribution of

**\$100
In Gold.....**

should prove an inducement that will make you want to be at the big gathering Christmas morning at 10:30 o'clock. Participation certificates with each shoe purchase to the amount of \$1 until the close.



BARKLEY'S

TWO HUNDRED FINE DOLLS

At and below cost at the New York store of Hays & Co. We do not wish to carry any over.

Fine Furs Very Cheap!

A large consignment fresh from the makers bought very cheap.

\$6.00 FURS \$3.50

\$5.00 FURS \$2.50

\$4.00 FURS \$2.00

Don't miss this.

HAYS & CO.